

INFORMATION BULLETIN

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT

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TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: DOL APPROVAL OF WIA WAIVERS

This information bulletin informs Local Workforce Investment Boards (LWIB) and other interested parties of Department of Labor (DOL) approval for two waivers, requested by the Governor, pertaining to the administration of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA). On September 18, 2003, the Governor's Office submitted the waiver requests to DOL pursuant to WIA Section 189(i)(4).

California requested a waiver on the prohibition against the use of Individual Training Accounts (ITA) for individuals enrolled as older youth, ages 18-21. The State maintained that under the waiver, One-Stop Career Centers should be able to provide ITAs to those youth who could benefit from such services without the requirements of registering them in the adult program and tracking resources separately for each funding source.

California also requested a waiver to extend the period of initial eligibility of training providers until June 30, 2004. The State maintained that by granting this waiver, it would have additional time to develop a data collection system for training providers, thus enhancing its Performance Based Accountability system.

For additional information including the DOL approval letter and full text of California's waiver request, please see the following Web site:

waivers.doleta.gov/waivers_data/pdffile/CA2003_governorResponse.pdf

If you have any questions, please contact your Regional Advisor at (916) 653-6347.

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